GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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PROPERTY TAX DUES FROM VIJAYAWADA AND HYDERABAD AIRPORTS
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the total amount of property tax dues of Gannavaram Gram Pandhayat and Secunderabad Cantonment Board against Vijaywada and Hyderabad airports respectively;

(b)the time since when the dues are pending; and

(c) the steps taken/ proposed to be taken by the Government to clear the dues?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN)

(a), (b) & (c) :- There are no property tax dues to the Gannavaram Gram Panchayat in respect of Vijaywada airport.

However, Secunderabad Cantonment Board (SCB) had raised abill of Rs.6.63 crores for Hyderabad (Begumpet) airporttowards house tax, conservancy, lighting charges etc. for the period of 1995-2000. Airports Authority of India (AAI) had represented to the SCB for review of the tax. Since, the SCB did not agree to the plea of AAI, an appeal was filed inthe City Civil Court and a writ petition in the Hon`ble High Court. The Hon`ble Court passed an interim stay order and directed the petitioner to deposit one-third of the bill within a period of four weeks. Accordingly AAI has paid SCB Rs.2.43 crores. The matter is presently sub-judice.